സാഹിബ് ബഹദൂർ ടി. എ. മൊയ്തീൻകുഞ്ഞു: അറസ്റ്റുചെയ്യപ്പെട്ടവരിൽ പതിനഞ്ചുപേരും മരിക്കുന്നതിനു് ഇനി എത്രകാലം വേണം?

Mr. Speaker: Question is disallowed.

DETENUES IN CENTRAL JAIL

*28. [32] ‡**Sri. K W. Muralidhara Marar:** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the detenues have started a hunger strike in the Central Jail, Trivandrum;

(*b*) what are their demands ;

(*c*) will the Government be pleased to appoint a committee to enquire into their grievances;

(*d*) how many have been released in the last year (1949—50) ?

Chief Mintster **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai) :**

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The demand is that the Security Prisoners order 1950 passed under the Preventive Detention Act 1950 should not be enforced and that if they are to be enforced certain modifications may be made to one or two provisions in the Security Prisoners Order 1950.

(*c*) As the detenues have not gone on hunger-strike and as the demands put forward by them are under active consideration of Government there is no necessity to appoint a Committee.

(*d*) Nine.

PENSIONS

*29. [33] **Sri. Muralidhara Marar :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state whether it is a fact that there is undue delay in granting pensions and provident funds to the pensioners ?

Minister for Finance and Revenue **(Sri. A. J. John):**

Government have come across certain cases of delay in the matter of settling pension claims of retired officers. They have taken measures to prevent such delays in future.

In regard to Provident Fund also, there is some delay incidental to the verification of the liabilities of the retired officers. As soon as the necessary certificates of non-liability etc. are issued the Provident Fund Account is closed and the amount standing to the credit of the subscriber is disbursed to him.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE

*30. [34] **Sri. N.V. Chacko :** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state :

(*a*) Has it come to the notice of Government that there ia a widespread general discontent against the present administration of the Travancore-Cochin State ; and

(*b*) if so, whether the Government are aware of the causes and grounds of such discontent?

Chief Minister **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

(*a*) That is a matter of opinion.

(*b*) Does not arise.

‡The question was put by Sri. A. P. Nambiar.

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